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SUBJECT: SITUATION IN ALBANIA

AUGUST 7 I CALLED ON AUSTRIAN AMBASSADOR OTTO, WHO IS ACCREDITED BOTH TO YUGOSLAVIA AND ALBANIA. OTTO CONFIRMED EVALUATION THAT ALBANIA IS IN SOME POLITICAL TURMOIL. HE SAID HOXHA WAS VERY ILL, AND THAT SHEHU WAS GATHERING POWER AT EXPENSE OF HOXHA INTIMATES. AS INDICATION HE CITED RECALL OF DHIMITAR LAMANI, ALBANIAN AMBASSADOR TO YUGOSLAVIA AND CLOSE FRIEND OF HOXHA. OTTO SAID LAMANI SEEMED NERVOUS ABOUT HIS RETURN, AND EVEN BEGGED DIPLOMATIC CORPS NOT TO GIVE HIM FAREWELL GIFT, FEARING SOVIET AMBASSADOR MIGHT CONTRIBUTE TO PURCHASE AND LATER PUBLICIZE IT.
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